

BAXTER SPRINGS NEWS.

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The state republican central committee met in Topeka May 29 and called the state convention for Wednesday, Sept. 3.

We acknowledge receipt of a complimentary and invitation to attend the grand fireman's tournament at Fort Scott June 10 to 13.

Congressman E. N. Morrill has written a letter declining to be a candidate for renomination. He has been a good and efficient member and Kansas can ill afford to lose his services.

A new industry has sprung up in Kansas—that of collecting old tinware, which is used at the Argentine smelter for fluxing purposes. An industrious man can gather up a ton of it in a day, which brings \$2.75 at the railroad.

The supreme court of the United States says that a state may legally execute its murderers by electricity, and that is probably the agency which will be employed for this purpose in most of the states eventually if it works well in New York.

Ohio will have but one senator in the next three congresses while little Rhode Island will have two. The framers of the constitution may not raise any rumpus over this condition of things, but the Buckeye State is justified in "kicking."

Globe-Democrat: The original package decision of the supreme court has not only discredited the states-rights doctrine, but it has also caused an advance in the price of whiskey. Thus the democrats have two reasons to make blasphemous remarks about it.

Globe-Democrat: Mr. Jay Gould is not generally regarded as a public benefactor; but it is due to him to say that he has given the people a greater reduction in railroad passenger rates than they have been able to obtain through the interstate commerce commission.

Globe-Democrat: The internal revenue returns show that from \$1,000,000 \$1,500,000 more per month is now being collected than was collected under the Cleveland administration. This simply demonstrates that the distillers find it a good deal harder to evade taxes than they did when they had democratic gangsters to connive with.

The American flag was torn down the other day and trampled under foot, not in Mississippi, but in Michigan. The outrage occurred in a church while memorial services were being held. Some of the members of the United Brethren church, opposed to secret societies, even placing the G. A. R. under the ban, made the attack on the old soldiers and insulted the stately banner as has been told above. Southern newspapers will be justified in making capital out of this outrage.

\$100 REWARD, \$100.

The readers of the News will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known now to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer one hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials free. Address

F. J. CHENEY & Co., props., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, 75c per bottle.

For the Grand National Drill and Military Encampment

To be held at Kansas City June 2 to 9, the Memphis Route, Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis R. R. Co., will sell round trip tickets from Springfield and all stations on its line west thereof at rate of one fare. These tickets will be on sale June 2 to 9 inclusive and good to return June 12, 1890.

J. E. LOCKWOOD,
General Passenger Agent,
Kansas City, Mo.

Call at the News office if you want the best sale bills or posters gotten up in the county.

SAP OF THE PALM.

An Exhilarating Beverage Used in Many Countries.

The Toddy of the East Indian, the African and the South American—It Contains the Flavor and Sparkling Qualities of Champagne.

Most trees of the palm tribe contain a sap which is rich in saccharine matter, and it is from this sweet juice that palm wine—or, as it is sometimes called, "toddy"—is prepared. At least two methods of obtaining this sap appear to be generally employed, says Chambers' Journal. In the islands of the Pacific the spathe or flowering head of the palm tree is bound up tightly with a mat, and is then cut. The sap exudes from the wound, and is caught in a coconut shell suspended underneath. When the juice ceases to drop, another piece is cut out of the spathe, a fresh quantity of sap is obtained, and the process is repeated until the spathe is entirely removed. Soon, however, a new flowering head is formed above the old one, and this, when sufficiently grown, is treated in exactly the same manner.

On the west coast of Africa the sap is obtained by making an incision just below the crown of leaves with which a palm tree is surmounted. The incision slopes upwards and inwards, and the juice which exudes is conducted by a small piece of bamboo into a gourd or vessel placed underneath the wound.

The sugar which the sap contains is exactly the same kind as is yielded by the sugar-cane. In some countries, therefore, the palm juice is boiled down after proper treatment, and furnishes a sugar which, when refined, can not be distinguished from the best produce of the West India Islands. In other countries the sap is allowed to ferment spontaneously—a change which occurs very quickly in hot countries—the sugar is thereby converted into alcohol, and the liquid acquires intoxicating properties.

As might be expected, the juice of the palm-tree varies both in quality and quantity with the species of palm from which it is extracted. The place of growth also appears to exert considerable influence upon the readiness with which the sap ferments. Hence it is that different varieties of palms are employed in different parts of the world for the preparation of wine or toddy. On the Western coast of Africa, for example, the beverage is obtained from the oil-palm, a species which are said to yield wine of the best quality. The tree is tapped in the evening; and in the morning the gourd which receives the sap is found filled with a liquid somewhat resembling the milk of a coconut, but richer and sweeter. The juice soon ferments and becomes intoxicating, but the percentage of alcohol which it contains is comparatively small.

In the fertile oases with which the Sahara and the other deserts of Northern Africa are dotted, large groves of date-palms are to be seen, from which the Arabs and other wandering tribes of the desert obtain an intoxicating beverage which they call *lagmi*. When drunk immediately the sap of this palm resembles rich milk; but when allowed to stand for a time it ferments and acquires the flavor and sparkling qualities of champagne.

The use of wine is strictly prohibited by the Koran, but the intoxicated Mohammedan excuses his apparent disregard of the injunctions of the Prophet by saying: "Lagmi is not wine, and the prohibition of the Koran refers to wine."

The same species of palm-tree is very abundant in the hilly Indian province of Bahar. Here the annual tapping for toddy is made on alternate sides of the tree, and in this way the trunk becomes curiously distorted, growing upwards in a zigzag direction. In other parts of India the beautiful fan-palm and the toddy-palm are the varieties chiefly employed in the manufacture of the wine. The toddy-palm will frequently yield more than one hundred pints of sap in the course of twenty-four hours.

In Ceylon, whole forests of the coco-palm are set apart for the preparations of fermented liquor; while in the islands of the Indian Archipelago, the Moluccas and the Philippines, it is the sap of the gommuti-palm which is allowed to ferment and furnish an exhilarating beverage known as *neca*. The natives of the beautiful islands of the Pacific obtain their toddy or *karava* by wounding the flowering head of the coconut tree; and each tree yields from two to six pints of liquid in twenty-four hours. When drunk immediately, it closely resembles the milk of the young coconut; but when allowed to stand for a few hours, it ferments, acquires intoxicating properties, and becomes acid.

Nearly everywhere in Africa and in many parts of Asia the fermented sap is subjected to distillation, and thus yields a strong brandy or spirit, which, like palm-wine itself, has received different names according to the district in which it is produced, or the variety of palm from which the wine has been procured.

A Florida Game Cook.

A resident of Klamath, Fla., recently bought his wife a bureau with a large mirror attached. While out in the garden attending her flowers one day the lady heard a loud racket in the house. On hastening thither she discovered that her husband's game rooster had gone into the house and caught sight of himself in the glass. That settled it; and the way he went for that glass—fighting his own shadow—was a caution to all other game chickens.

There wasn't a piece of glass left large enough for a hand mirror; and the rooster was so mad when the lady appeared on the scene that he turned his attention to her, and for awhile it was a doubtful question as to which would win the battle. A vigorous use of the broom, however, finally left the lady in possession of the house and her shattered mirror.

A Curious Advertisement.

The following curious advertisement appeared not long ago in a newspaper in Paris: "A lady having a pet dog whose hair is of a rich mahogany color, desires to engage a footman with whiskers to match."

GOBBLED BY A GATOR.

A Human Skull and a Tiger Found in a Saurian's Stomach.

Tim Smith, a colored laborer working on W. F. Fuller's orange grove at Edgewater, comes to Palatka nearly every day in a row-boat. To do this, says the Palatka (Fla.) Herald, he is compelled to pass Buzzard Island, a dark and lonely place, grown up with brush and inhabited by all sorts of wild birds, and may well be termed the home of the alligator, owing to its quietness and dark waters, which are seldom disturbed beyond the ripple of an oar manipulated by the huntsman.

For several weeks Tim Smith noticed a particularly large alligator, whose back was filled with barnacles and long green moss. The alligator was never known to demonstrate any fear, and would not get out of Smith's way under any consideration, allowing him to row rather close toward him.

Last Thursday, when Smith started for town, he put a Winchester rifle in his boat for the express purpose of giving his gatorship a load of cold lead. When opposite Buzzard Island the alligator appeared, and, rowing to within easy range, Smith fired five shots at the saurian, all of which seemed to take effect, for the alligator made a terrible fluster in the water, and turned over on its back.

Three days later Smith found the dead alligator floating near by, and, tying a rope about its head, towed it to the Edgewater grove, when the alligator was found to measure sixteen feet three and one-half inches in length. Two balls had entered the skin just back of the head.

Smith then set to work and skinned the saurian for market, when to his great surprise the darky came across a human skull, perfectly formed and unbroken, but owing to the superstitiousness of the negro he stopped skinning the alligator, which operation was finished by a white employe on the grove. Further dissection brought to light a gold watch bearing the initials "G. L. T." The skull and watch are now on exhibition at Fry's taxidermy store.

Who the unfortunate man was, no one seems to know, as the initials are not familiar about here, but it is supposed that he was some sportsman who, alone, was attacked and devoured by the alligator, as is quite often the case with Northern tourists who come to Florida and navigate its streams without a guide to keep them from the dark and dangerous tributaries that empty into the St. John's.

PUSSY BURIED ALIVE.

A Brooklyn Physician Tells a Legend of House-Cleaning.

One of the best known homeopathic physicians in Brooklyn tells a story of personal experience which is calculated to strike a sympathetic chord in many hearts. "Am I going to do any fixing up at my house this year?" he says. "Not if I know myself. Last year I did."

We hadn't any idea what we were undertaking when the job was begun. My wife thought the wood-work needed touching up a little. So the painters came. They turned the house topsy-turvy for four days, and when they went away the pretty paper on the walls of our best rooms was spoiled. The paper-hanger had to be called in. He succeeded in gouging the walls, so that a mason was necessary. The mason spoiled our carpets. They had to be renewed. Then we concluded to have an open grate put in one room on the ground floor. This, too, was done.

"After it seemed to be all over I remarked to my wife, with something like a sigh, that nothing worse could happen to us now. 'We shall have a little rest and enjoy it all the more because of the stirring up we have undergone,' was my hopeful view of the situation. 'I don't know,' she responded, wearily; 'how do you know that those tiresome men haven't fixed things so as to make us more trouble? Topsy has been missing for two days. May be they have sealed her up in the wall. They would do anything.' Topsy was the cat."

"Sure enough, within twenty-four hours we heard a faint mewling—possibly my wife's random shot sharpened our ears. Topsy was under the stone hearth laid beneath the open grate. We saved her life by hustling down to the mason's again, and having the hearth torn up. For nearly a week longer the house was torn up too. This year I have a very strong idea that we shall let well enough alone. I belong to Mr. Bergh's society."

A DREAM FULFILLED.

Vision of a Scene on a Battle-Field That Was Absolutely Real.

In 1862 I lived in the Shenandoah Valley and was betrothed to a Lieutenant in the Southern army, writes a correspondent of the New York Evening World. On the 24 of July I expected to go home, but owing to the irregularity

GREAT SLAUGHTER

SALE OF MEN'S CLOTHING!

ISAAC WRIGHT of Columbus will place on sale

:-SATURDAY, JUNE 7th,:-

100 Suits
100 Suits

worth \$10, \$12, \$14 and \$15

FOR \$10.

worth \$15, \$16, \$18 and \$20

FOR \$15.

These are all new and this season's goods. We closed out two lots of a large manufacturer and bought them at a great loss to them. The goods will not be on sale until Saturday, June 7th. Try and come up.

ISAAC WRIGHT,

West side Public Square,

COLUMBUS, KANSAS.

of our modes of travel did not know at what time he would arrive. I waited until twelve o'clock, and as he did not come I extinguished the light and throw myself upon the lounge.

I fell asleep, but awoke with a start, and found the room dimly lighted and the Lieutenant standing beside me, looking ghastly pale, and his uniform stained with blood.

I jumped up and exclaimed: "Oh, Tom, what is the matter?"

He answered: "I am dead. Go tell my mother and hurry to the field. I was mortally wounded, and knew you would grieve less if you could find my body. So I crawled up on the hill, under a pine tree, to die."

Then all was dark. His mother and I went to the battlefield and under an old pine tree we found him dead, his uniform stained with blood, just as I had seen it the night before.

Checking Nose-Bleeding.

Obstinate nose-bleeding is frequently one of the most difficult things to check. Several aggravated cases have lately occurred at the hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. As a last resort Dr. D. Hayes Agnew tried ham fat with great result. Two large cylinders of bacon fat were forced well into the nostrils, and the hemorrhage ceased at once.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria,
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria,
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria,
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

THE KING OF DRAFT HORSES!



DICK TURPIN

Will make the Season of 1890 at Wilbur's Ranch on the Nation Line 1 Mile west of Blue Mound and 6 Miles west of Baxter Springs, Kansas.

DESCRIPTION AND PEDIGREE.—Dick Turpin is a bright bay with heavy mane and tail, 16½ hands high and weighs 1700 pounds. He has great strength and has proven himself a sure foot getter. His great granddam was an English mare; his granddam was got by the Oakley Sampson; Turpin's dam by Louis Napoleon, imported by E. Dillon & Co., Bloomington, Ill.; Dick Turpin by Matchless, imported by Tom Allen of Ottawa.

It is conceded by good horsemen that Dick Turpin has more good points than any other horse ever stood in Cherokee county.

Terms—\$8 to insure a living colt. Mares held until bills are paid. All possible care will be taken to prevent accidents or escapes, but we will not be held responsible should any occur. It will give us great pleasure to show our horse to all interested in the improvement of stock and we cordially invite the public to come and see for themselves.

Also at the same time and place a
Kentucky-Bred Jack
Good color, good bone, and has proven to be a good breeder. Terms \$10 to insure living colt. NO SERVICE RENDERED ON SUNDAY.
L. C. WILBUR.

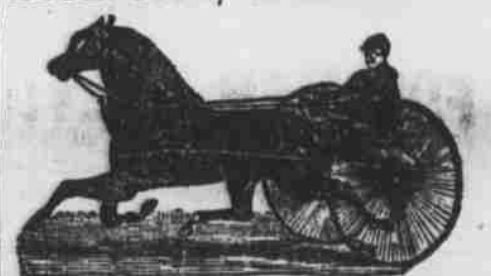
IMPORTATION
No. 4485.

The imported English Shire stallion that took the first premium for the best draft stallion any age or breed at the Cherokee county fair last fall will make the season of 1890 at my farm 7 miles northwest of Baxter Springs, Kan. Terms: \$16 to insure colt to stand and suck.

JOHN The Grade Clydesdale stallion that took first premium at the above fair over grade Clydes, Shires and English draft stallions, will make the season of 1890 at the same place.

Terms: \$8 to insure colt to stand and suck.
J. W. CHUBB.

ATTENTION, HORSEMEN!



HARRY MOORE & FRANK,

The fashionable and highly bred trotting stallions, will make the season of 1890 at Fox's livery stable in Baxter Springs, Kan. They are both first class representatives of the great families and are also among the best specimens of those families.

I am willing to make a public trial of speed at any time during the season with any stallion making a full season owned in Baxter.

All are cordially invited to call and examine stock, which will be shown with pleasure.

W. R. FOX, Agent.

J. P. HARTLEY,
Practical Auctioneer

FOR THE
City of Baxter Springs
and Cherokee County.

Leave orders at the News office.

(First published May 17, 1890.)
Notice of Opening of Subscription Books.

In compliance with the requirements of the law, notice is hereby given that the books of The Baxter Springs Manufacturing Company are now open at the office of said company in the city of Baxter Springs, Kansas, for receiving subscription to the capital stock of said named corporation.

THE BAXTER SPRINGS MANUFACTURING CO.,
By order of the Board of Directors,
JENKINS S. WALKER, Sec'y.
Dated Baxter Springs, Kansas, May 16, 1890.

(Published May 31, 1890.)

ORDINANCE NO. 63.

An Ordinance Appropriating the Sum of Two Hundred Dollars to Horace Austin for Sinking a Mineral Prospecting Shaft.

Whereas, The former councilmen of the city of Baxter Springs, Kansas, at a meeting of the mayor and councilmen of said city held on the 8th day of October, 1889, did, upon petition of many citizens, pass a resolution offering and pledging in the name of said city to pay to the person or persons who would sink within one mile of the public square in said city mineral prospecting shafts not exceeding four in number, the sum of two hundred dollars for each of said shafts so sunk, and

Whereas, Horace Austin has at great expense and in good faith and in full reliance upon said offer and pledge so made sink a shaft to the required depth and in full compliance with the terms of said resolution, now, therefore, to the end that the good faith of the city of Baxter Springs heretofore pledged as aforesaid may be kept

Be it ordained by the mayor and councilmen of the city of Baxter Springs:

Sec. 1. That the sum of two hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated from the general funds of the city of Baxter Springs to Horace Austin.

Sec. 2. That to carry into effect the preceding section the mayor and clerk of said city are hereby authorized and empowered to issue to said Horace Austin any scrip in the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00).

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon its publication in the Baxter Springs News.

Approved May 27, 1890.
A. D. C. HARVEY, Mayor.

Attest: M. H. GARDNER,
City Clerk.

(First published May 24, 1890.)

Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the probate court of Cherokee county, Kansas, administrator of the estate of (Mrs.) M. W. Carney, deceased, late of Cherokee county, Kansas. All persons indebted to said estate and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified that prompt settlement of the same is desired in the manner provided by law.

JAMES H. CARNEY,
Administrator, etc.,
Baxter Springs, Kan.